



## School of Accountancy Alumni Newsletter | April 2020



### Director's Update

I hope you and your families are all doing well and staying safe. These are evolving and unsettling times, but we are committed to pulling together and rising to meet challenges with optimism and determination.

We kicked off the spring quarter virtually on March 30. It is remarkable how well the SoA faculty came together and responded to the task of converting all courses to an entirely online delivery mode. Our students remain our top priority and we are doing everything possible to maintain the quality and integrity of their educational experiences.

While this is a time of physical distancing, your DU family is hard at work creating new and interesting ways we can all connect in the virtual world. Our goal is to offer meaningful, free opportunities for our alumni and friends to

keep learning and growing, access family programming, get support, and perhaps even experience some joy.

Last week, DU launched **STAY CONNECTED**, a new website that offers a wide array of virtual programming. This includes webinars with DU faculty and other experts addressing mental and physical health and wellness topics, career advice, programming for children and parents, and much more. The site also offers ways to connect with career resources offered by the Career & Professional Development team.

All the best,

*Sharon Lassar*

Dr. Sharon Lassar, Director, School of Accountancy

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## Upcoming Events



### **SAVE THE DATE** *SoA Fall Reception*

Visit with fellow alums and connect with faculty and incoming and returning students. It's an SoA tradition to kick off the Fall quarter!

**Sept. 13 | 5-7 p.m.**

## Get to Know Your Network

### **Alumni Notes**



On March 2, **Ross Garrett (Macc 2014)** attended Professor Loving's ACTG 4575 AIS Risk, Control & Audit course. Garrett's career has focused on the cloud-based software application WorkDay where he has worked as a consultant helping clients deploy and maximize their investment in WorkDay. While in the classroom, he shared many real life stories of software successes and challenges. The students thoroughly enjoyed hearing more about this software solution and what life is like on the front lines of modern ERP implementations. Thanks, Ross!



On March 5, **Davinia Lyon (MT 2000)** joined TaxOps as a partner in corporate tax. In this role, she will be driving TaxOps' client experience in corporate and international tax and planning. Congratulations on this new role, Davinia!

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## Professional Development

Interviewing During a Pandemic: Tips for Video Interviewing Success

Monday, April 6, 2020 | 4-4:30 p.m. (MST)

**Virtual via Zoom**

Please see [du.edu/pioneer-careers](http://du.edu/pioneer-careers) for job opportunities.

**HAVE ANY EXCITING NEWS?**

*The SoA has always tried to keep alumni connected to the University and each other. Connection is important, now*

*more than ever! In that spirit, we'll continue to share alumni stories, news and class notes.*

Promotions, marriages, new babies, major moves, job changes or awards? Let us know! We'll share the news with your alumni family in the alumni notes section of the newsletter.

Email [kristen.dimig@du.edu](mailto:kristen.dimig@du.edu) with any updates.



### UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a new email address, recently moved, changed employment, got married or have other information to update, please do so [here](#).

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